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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 13 August 1956

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Messrs. Wisner, Helms, Lloyd, Kirkpatrick, Kent, Sheldon, Amory, General Truscott, Col. White, Mr. [REDACTED]

Mr. Dulles:

[REDACTED]

b. Requested Mr. Kirkpatrick to review as soon as possible all developments in connection with the Killian committee which had taken place during Mr. Kirkpatrick's trip to Latin America. In this connection he noted that General Doolittle wants a memorandum prepared on information covering CIA security organization and procedures. ACTION: IG.

c. Mentioned that over this past weekend he had been unable to locate several people he was anxious to contact concerning the current Suez Canal crisis and expressed the desire that there be better weekend coverage in the future whenever there is any known crisis brewing. ACTION: DD/I, DD/P and DD/S.

d. Referred to Khrushchev's speech of 17 July in East Germany and inquired whether or not we are doing anything on this at the present time. Mr. Wisner noted that this had previously been under consideration by the State Department as something they might bring up for publication in accordance with a recommendation made by Ambassador Bohlen but that final decision had been not to take such action. Mr. Dulles handed [REDACTED] transcript of this talk to Mr. Wisner who indicated that it might be of some possible future use and that he would see that it was periodically considered for possible exploitation in the future. ACTION: DD/P.

e. Noted that he had received from his old friend, [REDACTED] two memoranda - one involving the Sudetan German situation and the other concerning a group of Austrian lawyers. These were given to Mr. Wisner who expressed a desire to study them.

f. Referred to a letter he had received from [redacted]

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that he would reply to [redacted] letter and then will send this material to Mr. Helms. Mr. Helms stated that he would talk to Mr. Rountree of the State Department and ascertain what, if anything, State would like to do about this or what they might like us to do. ACTION: COP.

g. Referred to [redacted] report just received

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[redacted] and stated that he did not wish to disseminate this information until after it had been examined and evaluated internally by appropriate technical and scientific personnel of CIA. He requested that Messrs. Sheldon and Helms undertake to have this internal evaluation accomplished prior to any dissemination. ACTION: COP & ADCI.

h. Referred to a paper prepared in Mr. Wisner's office setting forth the historical development of PP policy. Stated that it was his understanding that all policy on these matters was to be at a very high level and that the Under Secretary of State was the person to whom this policy responsibility had been assigned. He noted that the DD/P paper seemed to conflict with this understanding in that it mentioned Mr. Higgs of State as the official assigned this responsibility. Mr. Wisner replied that he believed the Under Secretary of State had in fact been given this responsibility but that perhaps he had internally delegated a large portion of it to Mr. Higgs. The paper was returned to Mr. Wisner to check this point and make revisions if necessary in order that it might be handed to the Killian committee at its September meeting in accordance with Dr. Killian's request. ACTION: DD/P.

i. Requested Col. White to take up project [redacted] with the Bureau of the Budget and obtain the [redacted] allocated from the reserve and stated that he had already generally briefed Mr. Macy of the Bureau of the Budget on this subject. ACTION: DD/S.

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Mr. Helms:

Asked the status of a paper which he had sent up for DCI concerning the command relationships between CIA and the Theatre Commanders in a wartime situation. Mr. [redacted] was asked to ascertain the status of this paper.

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Colonel White:

a. Stated that Mr. Amory had raised with him the question of the effective date of the GS-18 pay raise recently passed

by Congress. Mr. Amory had pointed out that in regular government agencies with Civil Service status the effective date of the pay raise was on or about 1 July, whereas in the memorandum Mr. Dulles put out the effective date of this pay raise for CIA employees was 1 August. Col. White stated that the reason for this is that we do not come under Civil Service and therefore it is necessary for the DCI to take action after the legislation is signed by the President and effective, and that DCI cannot take such action on a retroactive basis. He noted that this question came up once before and that the Comptroller General ruled adversely on a proposal from the DCI that he make certain pay raises retroactive. Mr. Dulles requested that Col. White have Mr. Houston informally explore this problem once more with the Comptroller General and if their ruling remains the same, the Notice he has already issued will remain in effect. Otherwise, if it can be legally done the pay raises will have the same effective date as the other government agencies. ACTION: DD/S

b. Stated that he plans to get the Fairfax County authorities to reconfirm their guarantee of several months ago that they will have adequate sewage facilities for the new CIA building at Langley. Noted that the Department of Interior has asked for the transfer of funds from CIA to Interior in order to commence all road building south of Chain Bridge. He pointed out in this connection that he would first like to obtain confirmation of a commitment previously obtained from General Anderson in Richmond for \$250,000 from the State of Virginia for road improvements north of Chain Bridge. The commitment from Anderson was made approximately one year ago. It was noted that in order to obtain the recommitment from Anderson prior to transferring the funds to Interior would delay this transfer for probably two weeks. Col. White expressed the view that it might be preferable to wait for Anderson's confirmation of his previous commitment prior to making this transfer although technically there was nothing to preclude our making the transfer of funds to Interior immediately. Mr. Dulles remarked that he did not wish to delay any further and instructed Col. White to proceed with the transfer of funds to Interior.

c. Col. White noted that Mr. [ ] was coming down from New York on Thursday for meetings with Mr. Dulles and the Steering Committee at 2:00 pm in the afternoon and suggested that Mr. Dulles might like to have a luncheon for the same group before the formal meeting. DCI agreed to this.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

In discussing his recent trip to Latin America noted the fine cooperation we had received from Captain Robert Slye,

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Naval Attache in Buenos Aires, particularly in connection with a recent case [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Mr. Dulles asked that Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Wisner see to it that a nice letter was prepared to Captain Slye expressing appreciation for his assistance and cooperation.  
ACTION: IG & DD/P.

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